

3-19-15 Follow up—Morality

Class member: I did all the homework. It was great. The talk by Tad Callister used as a syllabus for some YW classes. It made my husband and I have a lot of conversation. Our oldest is 9. We haven't had a lot of discussion beyond modesty and brothers/sisters. A few months ago we had several copies of "For Strength of Youth". We hadn't opened them and given them to the kids so this week we started studying it in FHE. It's been a good week.

Class member: Dating academy...It wouldn't work in our home because of our blended families. I thought for my younger kids that will be great. He started teaching them at 9. I know as a Mom I'm trying to teach table manners, but I had a Grandma that was raised in the 20's and 30's.

Teach your kids good manners.

For a few minutes I want you to look over everything we've covered this semester, what one or two things do you think will impact your family more....

Class member: I'm hoping that communication will stick....asking questions before diving into telling them what to do.

Class member: I ordered that book "How to talk so your kids listen and listen so your kids will talk." My 15 year old said, "Mom, I don't know how well that will work for you." I want to listen and communicate and talk.

Filter whatever you read through the gospel.

Class member: I think there is a reason you do the 4-legs of the table. That is the basics. Teaching that to my kids has helped. We still do scripture study every day. I'm really trying to focus on that to help it stay for a long time.

Oct 2010 "Courageous Parenting" Larry Lawrence....5 Fundamental practices to fortify our youth.

1. Family Prayer
2. Family Scriptures
3. FHE
4. Family Dinner together
5. Regular one on one interviews with your children

Class member: We were studying in the New Testament the man with the evil spirits and when they sent them into the pigs. My daughter said, "Are there really evil spirits?" It opened up this conversation. I was thinking how many lessons this covered...communication, scriptures, prayer, Holy Ghost. That conversation covered so many topics. This class just weaves them all together. We talked about the importance of having a body and protecting it because they couldn't have a body themselves.

Class member: The things that have benefited our house the most...Color Code and Positive Parenting. We have a very red son. He is failing almost all his classes except choir. We sent a letter to his teachers and told them that they were bailing them out. The responses we got from the teachers were that they were surprised that we were willing to let him fail and have to go to summer school. How much are Sister Tanner's CD's? He gave me the rest of his allowance so I could buy another CD for him. I listen to them while I'm cooking. He has finally realized that he has seen changes in how I'm parenting.

Class member: The 4 Legs of the Table we were already doing, but reading about the blessings made a big difference. The blessings are pouring down on us.

Class member: When we were talking about our son with the heart problem and not being ready to go to school in the morning, has been a HUGE thing for our son. It has changed everything! He looks forward to it as a discussion the night before.

Class member: The biggest thing I took away when the kids aren't learning and changing I used to think that I needed to be harder and give more punishments. This class has made me feel like I need to be a more loving Mom and more gentle and kind.

Class member: At the beginning you asked us to write down 2 goals. I have improved on those goals. I haven't been overwhelmed with this class. You told us to always observe ourselves so we can figure it out. I just take it a day at a time. When I focus on just one thing everything seems to fall into place. Over time my 2 goals were to develop better patience and better communication skills. It's been nice to see that.

It's changing percentages.

How many of you really did some of the homework? The homework ingrains that in you.